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Date: Nov. 8, 2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)	
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P. I. CHIPMAN ET AL)	
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Serial No. 10/789,052)	Group Art Unit:
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Filed February 27, 2004)	Examiner:
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METHOD OF IMPROVING THE)	November 8, 2004
OPERATION OF A MANUFACTURING)	
PROCESS)	
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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Sir:

PETITION UNDER RULE 1.78

The Applicant hereby requests consideration of this Petition Under Rule 1.78.

The undersigned recently became aware that an amendment inserting a reference to the prior International application and the prior US provisional application has not been requested. The undersigned states that this error was unintentional and that the entire delay in submitting this amendment was unintentional. The Applicant requests that the amendment of the specification in the amendment filed concurrently herewith be accepted.

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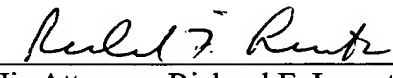
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The Applicant requests that the \$1,370.00 fee for filing this petition be charged to Shell Oil Company Deposit Account 19-1800.

Respectfully submitted,

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